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## **Delegation Deans Wager On Sox-Yanks Series**

Washington, DC: Rep. Edward Markey (D-MA) and Rep. Charles Rangel (D-NY), Deans of their respective state congressional delegations, announced today that they would make a friendly wager on the outcome of the Boston Red Sox/New York Yankees American League Championship Series.

Rep. Markey will put up lobster and New England clam chowder from Legal Sea Foods should the Yankees win the Series. Rep. Rangel will offer a case of New York wine should the Red Sox beat the Yankees and break free from the "Curse of the Bambino."

Rep. Markey said, "The Red Sox victory will be doubly satisfying when they beat the Yankees in the playoffs. Not only will they cast off the 'Curse of the Bambino,' but they may also play host to the only other team who has been similarly cursed over the years, the Chicago Cubs. Rep. Rangel is a worthy opponent for Republicans in Congress, but his Yankees will be no match for our Red Sox this year."

Rep. Rangel stated, "The New York/Boston baseball rivalry is a long tradition that I am proud to continue. I must say that my heart goes out to Red Sox fans. I can't imagine what it would be like to go 85 years without winning the World Series. For Yankees fans, two was quite enough. New York wine gets better with age and, one of these decades, the Sox might actually make it. But this year, the Yankees beat Boston during the season and I know they will return to the World Series for the 6<sup>th</sup> time in 8 years."

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